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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - More than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1)). See Figure(s) 10A, 10B. However, these figures 10A and 10B were described in the Specification further, the figure 10 was submitted in the Drawing sheet. Figures 10A and 10B weren't indicated in the Drawing sheet..
 - The drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper, which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e)). See Figure(s) 1, 2, 5, 10.

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^{*} Only the date of filing (§ 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under § 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

3. Applicant requests a	n extension of time for this	response.						
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b) " an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable effort to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.705 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has no effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."								
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